

OUR FRUIT CULTURISTS.

The Magnificent Enterprise of R. S. Wallace.

PEARS, APPLES, CHERRIES, PRUNES.

What Well Directed Energy, and Systematic Work are Accomplishing.

For many years the one prominent product of the Willamette farmer has been wheat. Whatever else he might venture on as a side issue, his main reliance has been the plump, juicy berry that has glorified Oregon, and made her famous among the nations for the finest wheat in the world. Those who planted orchards did so in a very small way, not hoping for or expecting a market beyond the confines of their own home. True, in the earlier days of the gold excitement in California, the fabulous prices paid for the few Oregon apples that could be obtained stimulated the industry of apple culture for a few years; but as soon as California began supplying her own wants, the demand here fell off, and the many old and almost worthless orchards now seen are the sequel of that era.

But a new era is dawning; the conditions of commerce and population have changed, and there is an increasing demand for the matchless fruits that can be raised here. A mighty empire east of us is being rapidly populated; an empire that cannot raise any kind of fruit worth mentioning. Further east, from Chicago to Boston, there is an inexhaustible market awaiting our fresh, canned and dried fruits.

Among those who appreciate these facts our fellow townsman, Mr. R. S. Wallace, is foremost. Coming here from Chicago in 1885, he at once comprehended the situation and purchased what was known as the Hosford place, situated in Polk county, two and a half miles from Salem. A pleasant ride of twenty minutes carries the visitor to his plantation.

He has invested near \$20,000 on this place all told, and now has one of the most promising properties we know of. It comprises 288 acres, 150 of which is set out in trees under the most thorough and careful cultivation. During the short time he has owned it, he has done a wonderful amount of work, completely transforming its appearance. One hundred acres, that were in heavy timber, have been cleared by grubbing and burning and is now in trees.

A large and convenient summer residence, serving also as headquarters for the force at work, has been built, the place selected being such that every part of the plantation can be overlooked from the veranda, which extends entirely around the house. The private apartments have been fitted up with so much taste that it will be no hardship to spend the summer there. In truth as a summer residence it is an enticing spot. In every direction there are lovely vistas opening to view; hill and dale, marsh and meadow, lake and mountain, all combining to make up the charming scene. Conveniently arranged are outbuildings, barns, stables, quarters for help, etc. A large enclosure has been left for pasture, the remainder being all set in young trees. Thousands of feet of the fir under draining have been laid, the main six inches and laterals four inches in diameter.

The varieties of trees now out are as follows: Eleven thousand Bartlett pears. These will be marketed both green and canned. A fair average yield of mature trees of this variety will be from six to eight bushels. We believe this a low average, where they have received the culture Mr. Wallace is giving his.

One thousand Winter Nellis, our best winter pear.

Seven hundred Bourne Clairgeau, the size, early bearing, productivity and beauty of this pear render it a profitable market sort. These were set out a year ago, and are now bearing; some trees having as many as forty young pears.

One thousand Royal Ann, the leading variety among cherries for shipping.

Sixteen hundred Spitzenberg apples. This is not so prolific as some other varieties, but is the finest and best sought after of any, for its size, flavor and keeping qualities.

One thousand Golden Drop plum.

Prune. The experience of R. S. Wallace is that of almost every one who has set out this variety—trees are not hardy while young.

We believe, however that those trees that reach maturity will be long lived and healthy. It is so superior a fruit that one can afford to lose a few trees. For canning it is next to the peach itself and as a dried plum it has no equal.

Eight hundred Petite d' Agen prunes. This is the only rival the Italian prune has in Oregon. It is more hardy and more prolific, but smaller. It is the gilt edged prune of California.

All of these have been set out with the greatest care, the eye following the rows of young trees with their spring foliage stretching away in the distance like silken threads. Not a tree misplaced, and so far as our visit extended, not a dead tree. Three teams are now busy cultivating the soil, which is as mellow and moist and clear of weeds as heart could desire. For evidence of what thorough tillage will do for young trees, one need go no further. A force of eight men are employed.

Mr. Wallace has been enabled to experiment with many of the various machines made for cultivating the soil, and has, after due deliberation, made his selections. Others will do well to study his methods and results, profiting by his experience. Every one will find a welcome, who visits the place seeking information.

The mind becomes bewildered in trying to estimate the enormous quantity of fruit that must be handled in a few years, on this magnificent plantation. At fair average yields and at prices that are perfectly safe to count upon, there is a fortune every year for its possessor.

A Truly Great Invention.

We desire to call the attention of our readers to a most excellent and ingenious device, invented by Dr. J. H. Vincent, president of Chautauqua college. It is known as the "Chautauqua Combination Drawing and Writing Desk," and must be seen to be appreciated. It is a simple, compact affair, just the thing for each family where there are children to educate and amuse, and an indispensable help in every primary school. Fred M. Campbell, state superintendent of public instruction of California, says of it: "I am very sure that any family that secures one of these inexpensive articles through this word of mine, will always be grateful to me for calling attention to it." Mr. Hoopengartner is now in Salem and will call on our citizens, after which he purposes making a canvass of the county. Be ready when he comes to give him your order. Price \$4.50.

Badly Hurt.

Early this morning, as Mr. William Pearson and wife, who reside on their farm near Marion, were coming to town, they met with an accident that came near being serious. Mr. Pearson had in his team a young horse that was unaccustomed to the road. Near Mr. Cook's place, they met another team, and the young horse becoming frightened, suddenly lunged to the side of the road, and forced one of the wheels of the wagon over a stump, throwing Mrs. Pearson out upon the hard road. She struck upon her head and shoulders, and received a number of painful bruises; besides her arm has been numb ever since as though there was other more serious trouble. They came on to Salem and a physician was consulted, who thought Mrs. Pearson's injuries not very serious, but she certainly had a very narrow escape.

Don't Experiment.

You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems at first only a cold. Do not admit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, but be sure you get the genuine. Because he can make more profit he may tell you he has something just as good, or just the same. Don't be deceived, but insist upon getting Dr. King's New Discovery, which is guaranteed to give relief in all throat, lung and chest affections. Trial bottles free at H. W. Cox's drug store. Large bottles \$1.

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LOCAL NOTES.

Read our notice to advertisers.

R. D. Patton is on the sick list.

Fresh strawberries at A. Strong & Co's.

Col. J. K. Kelly of Portland is in town.

See the program of Miss Jones' concert.

Strawberries and cream at A. Strong & Co's.

Jno. A. Rotan went to Portland this morning.

Thirty bread tickets for one dollar at A. Strong & Co's.

Miss Genie Bush went to Portland on this morning's train.

Painless dental operations at Dr. T. C. Smith's, 92 State street.

Mrs. E. M. Waite is visiting relatives and friends in Portland.

Jay C. Smith has returned from a business trip to New York City.

The sidewalk on the west side of Marion square is in need of repair.

Mrs. Mary A. Fry, of Philadelphia, is visiting her son, D. J. Fry, in this city.

Paul Frank and Theresia Weidner have been granted a marriage license.

Go to E. L. L. Johnson's for genuine bargains in fancy and staple dry goods.

Lace, embroidery and ribbon, at Bridges & Bozorth's new store,—bank block.

Geo. H. Burnett, administrator of the estate of Moses Rambo, has filed his final account.

The initial number of the Albany daily Democrat is on our table. It is a creditable paper.

Burb B. Brockway of Roseburg was in the city this morning and went to Portland this afternoon.

New sidewalks are being laid on the east side of High street extending north from Union to the mill race.

L. Abrams, of Lincoln, is in the city and reports the price of wheat advanced at Lincoln to 65 cents per bushel.

The regular meeting of the council occurs to-night, and the depot matter will come up before them for consideration.

Beginning to-day, school hours at the Willamette University will be from 8:30 a. m. to 12 noon, until the close of the school year.

A daughter of Hon. D. T. Denny of Seattle died in New York recently. Miss Denny was a cousin of Mr. Louie Tarpley of this city.

Parasols, handkerchiefs, collars, cuffs, hosiery, corsets, and underwear at prices that will astonish the natives at E. L. L. Johnson's.

Advertise in our weekly edition if you really want to let the people of Polk and Marion know you have goods to sell, and that you invite their patronage.

The trees around the old chair factory, which it was thought were killed by the heat from the fire recently, are showing life again, all but two having put forth leaves.

A number of the friends of Geo. Eoff gave him a surprise party and birthday dinner in commemoration of his 81st birthday, on April 29, at his home in the Waldo Hills.

A fine line of gentlemen's straw hats have been received at G. W. Johnson's. Provide yourself with shirts, collars, cuffs and underwear from his finely selected stock.

Hon. T. T. Geer, of Silverton, was in town yesterday, and visited the JOURNAL office to talk over the political situation. Mr. Geer is taking a lively interest in the campaign, and seems very hopeful of the result in this county.

"The county candidates in Polk county will not make a canvass," said senator Allen of Lincoln, yesterday, "but the republicans are going to make an awful hot fight, with excellent chances of success. I think they will elect their ticket without much trouble."

Owing to the impossibility of procuring a boat of sufficient capacity, the ladies of the Presbyterian church have been obliged to abandon their proposed excursion to Oregon City, but will give a strawberry and ice cream festival on Wednesday eve, May 16th, to which all are invited.

George B. Chance, the eldest son of Dr. George H. Chance of Portland, a very bright young man of 19 years, died last night about 8:30 o'clock, his sickness of the past few days culminating at that time in paralysis of the brain. He was, when taken sick, a student at the medical department of the Willamette university preparatory to fitting himself for the medical profession. He was the grandson of Mr. E. Bray of this city.

AN IMPORTANT MOVE.

Silver Falls City to be an Educational Center.

A JOURNAL reporter learned this afternoon, too late to get full particulars in regard to the matter, that the new town of Silver Falls City, at the upper falls of Silver Creek, was soon to be given an excellent boom by the establishment of a summer normal and art school there.

The Willamette University of this city, is at the head of the movement, and they have been negotiating, for some time with Col. Thos. C. Smith, the proprietor of Silver Falls City, for the purchase of a block and a half near the falls, and the negotiations have about reached the closing point. It is understood that the University has long been considering the establishment of a summer school, on the plan adopted by eastern colleges, at some point that would give to the students all the advantages of a favored summer resort, and at the same time a good place where they could prosecute their studies during the holidays, especially with relation to normal work, and the study of art and botany.

Silver Falls City has commended itself, and rightly, to the president of the Willamette University, Prof. Van Scoy, as it would give to the students all the exhilarating influences of pure mountain air, and grand scenery, together with the quiet peacefulness so necessary to the student's hours of study. It is likely, should the University conclude to establish its school there, a boarding hall and institute building, costing about \$2000, will be erected this summer, and other improvements would follow.

City Election at Silverton.

The annual city election occurred at Silverton yesterday, and it was probably the most closely contested election ever held in Oregon. There were two tickets in the field, a "citizens ticket" and a "prohibition ticket." Following is the vote cast: Citizens ticket, for councilman, A. Coolidge, 40; A. Wolf, 38; Geo. S. Sora, 38; M. Fitzgerald, 36; Archie Walford, 38. Prohibition ticket, T. W. Davenport, 33; Dr. Davis, 38; Jno. Hicks, 38; J. C. Hayes, 37; E. L. Smith, 27. Six received 38 votes and over, and it is likely they will have to draw straws to decide which five shall hold the office. For recorder, M. J. Adams, (citizens), 38; Hansen, (prohl.) 36. For treasurer, T. R. Hibbard (cit.) 37; Jas. Smith, (pro.) 36. For marshal, Woodsides, (pro.) 36; Theo. Slater, (cit.) 29.

A Sound Legal Opinion.

E. Bainbridge Munday Esq., county atty., Clay county, Tex., says: "Have used Electric Bitters with most happy results. My brother also was very low with malarial fever and jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine. Am satisfied electric bitters saved his life."

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Improvements at the Asylum.

Dr. Harry Lane, the superintendent of the insane asylum, informed a JOURNAL rustler that a great many improvements are being made at that institution. The material is on the ground for a new pump and boiler house, and work of construction on it will begin next week. \* \* The material for the handsome ornamental fence to be constructed in front of the asylum grounds has also been delivered, and will be put up at once \* \* \* The regular amount of garden is now being put in, and all other farm work is being vigorously prosecuted. \* \* \* No appointment has yet been made to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Wilkins.

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